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This electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on issues affecting the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

DSC chair touts possibilities of **Delta coalition**

Comments by Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) Chair Phil Isenberg were presented this week to the Senate Select Committee on Delta Stewardship and Sustainability. They included the DSC's support for recommendations made by the Coalition to Support Near Term Delta Projects. Isenberg said the coalition could provide a path to a possible deal that could improve the reliability of the water supply and improve the Delta ecosystem. His comments are available here.

Delta Plan strategies on agenda for next DSC meeting

Near-term strategies for implementation of the Delta Plan are on the agenda for next week's meeting of the DSC. Council members will also hear a report on recent activities and findings of the Delta Science Program. The meeting is set for Thursday, Oct. 25, in West Sacramento.

DPC announces scheduling changes for two events

The Delta Protection Commission (DPC) has made scheduling changes for two events. The commission meeting scheduled for Nov. 15 has been moved up a day to Wednesday, Nov. 14. The location and other meeting information will be posted on the DPC calendar page. The Delta Working Landscapes workshop on Wednesday, Oct. 24, in Walnut Grove has moved to 6 p.m. Details are available in this flier.

Science program calling on expert panel to conduct review

The Delta Science Program is convening a panel of experts to review the implementation of some long-term operations opinions. The review will include a look at the Spring 2012 Delta Operations. The panel will meet Wednesday, Oct. 31, and Thursday, Nov. 1, in Sacramento. A call-in number is available on the agenda.

Flood preparedness week runs through Saturday in California

California Flood Preparedness Week runs through this Saturday, Oct. 20. DWR is marking the occasion Flood Preparedness with a webpage that promotes flood awareness and emergency preparedness. Flooding poses a danger



throughout the state. In the last 20 years, every California county has been declared a flood disaster area at least once.

Brown bag puts focus on Netherlands flood protection

The next brown bag presentation by the Delta Science Program will look at why climate change has the Netherlands taking a close look at its flood prevention system. Arthur E. Mynett from the UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education in the Netherlands will be speaking Monday, Oct. 22, in Sacramento. He will discuss adaptive management options for providing long-term protection of the Dutch coast.

Workshop will provide guidance on ag water efficiency PSP

A workshop will be held tomorrow, Oct. 19, in Sacramento to provide information on the Final Agricultural Water Use Efficiency Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP). The grant program will primarily fund projects that provide water savings or contribute to instream flows that benefit the Bay-Delta or the rest of the state. The deadline for proposals is Wednesday, Nov. 21. A webcast of the workshop will be available.



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